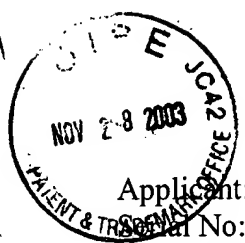


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hanns Rump et al.
Serial No: 09/937,102 Art Unit: 1743
Filing Date: January 23, 2002
Title: **SENSOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF DETECTING GASES OR FUMES IN AIR**

November 24, 2003 Attorney's Docket No.: MSA244T1

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is:

<X> Amendment dated November 24, 2003 (15 pages)

(X) The applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to any Office Action outstanding in the above captioned matter as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application. Please charge my deposit account No.11-0224 in the amount required to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above account.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16, and 1.17, after a mailing of a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.18 or any additional fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Acct. No.11-0224. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. If and only if account funds should be insufficient, immediately contact our associate, Lisa Zumwalt, at (703)415-0579, who will pay immediately to avoid deprivation of rights.

() Please charge my Deposit Account No.11-0224 in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A signature or signatures required for the above recited document(s) is (are) provided herebelow. Such signature(s) also provide(s) ratification for any required signature appearing to be defective in the above recited document(s).

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I hereby certify that the correspondence attached hereto is being deposited with the United States Postal Service, with sufficient postage, as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231,

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SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July 23, 2003 and setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months to expire on October 23, 2003. Applicants petition that, if required, the time for response be extended and the corresponding fee be charged. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Acct. No. 11-0224. Applicants further respectfully request that this response be accepted as a bona fide effort to meet any potential response requirements outstanding and due in the above captioned matter.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

**MARKED UP VERSION OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS
(Version with marking to show changes made)**